Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently amended) A portable terminal device, comprising:

a user interface for enabling user input into the portable terminal device;

a network connection unit configured to establish a connection to a computer network;

a local network connection unit configured to establish a connection to a local network different from the computer network, the local network being a network locally defined among the portable terminal device and at least one other computer device; and

a processing unit configured to upload a prescribed information regarding the computer network that is necessary or utilizable in operating an application program by being connected to the computer network and that is setup data or input data for the application program stored in said at least one other computer device, from said at least one other computer device connected to the portable terminal device via the local network through the local network connection unit, carry out a prescribed processing for automatically setting the setup data or the input data into the portable terminal device without requiring any user operation using the user interface, in a form utilizable by the application program on the portable terminal device, according to at least a part of the prescribed information, and execute the application program by using a result of the prescribed processing and being connected to the computer network through the network connection unit.

2.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit carries out the prescribed processing to make a prescribed setup regarding the computer network.

3.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 2, wherein the processing unit makes the prescribed setup by storing said at least a part of the prescribed information into a prescribed memory region for the application program, either as obtained from said at least one other computer device or by converting said at least a part of the prescribed

information into a format matching with the application program and/or a user interface of the portable terminal device.

4.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit obtains the prescribed information related to a specified type of application program that exists in said at least one other computer device.

5.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 4, wherein the processing unit obtains the prescribed Information by transmitting to said at least one other computer device via the local network a first request for obtaining an identification information for identifying said specified type of application program, receiving a reply containing the identification information from said at least one other computer device via the local network in response to the first request, transmitting to said at least one other computer device via the local network a second request for obtaining the prescribed information according to the identification information contained in the reply, and receiving the prescribed information from said at least one other computer device via the local network in response to the second request.

6.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the local network enables data exchanges between the portable terminal device and said at least one other computer device by using a wireless LAN (Local Area Network), a point-to-point wireless device, or an infrared as a medium.

7.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit carries out data exchanges on the local network only with a computer device that is authenticated by a prescribed mutual authentication procedure.

8.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit carries out a procedure for obtaining the prescribed information for each one of a plurality of application programs installed on the portable terminal device, at a timing of activation of the portable terminal device.

9.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit carries out a procedure for obtaining the prescribed information for the application program at a timing of activation of the application program.

10.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit carries out a procedure for transferring the prescribed information obtained from a first computer device via the local network to a second computer connected to the local network.

11.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit carries out a procedure for transferring the prescribed information obtained via the local network to one or a plurality of computer devices connected to the local network.

12.   (Original)   The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the network connection unit carries out communications via the computer network through a radio base station.

13.   (Canceled).

14.   (Canceled).

15.   (Currently amended) A computer device, comprising:

a local network connection unit configured to establish a connection to a local network that is locally defined among the computer device and a portable terminal device; and

a processing unit configured to return a reply containing an identification information for identifying a specified type of application program that exists in the computer device, or a prescribed information related to said specified type of application program that is setup data or input data of the application program stored in the computer device and to be uploaded and automatically set into the portable terminal device without requiring any user operation using a user interface, in a form utilizable by the application program on the portable terminal device, in response to a request received from the portable terminal device via the local network through the local network connection unit.

16.   (Previously presented)   The computer device of claim 15, wherein the processing unit receives from the portable terminal device via the local network a first request for obtaining the identification information, transmits a first reply containing the identification information to the portable terminal device via the local network in response to the first request, receives from the portable terminal device via the local network a second request for obtaining the prescribed information, and transmits a second reply containing the prescribed information to the portable terminal device via the local network in response to the second request.

17.   (Currently amended)   A communication method of a portable terminal device having a function for executing application programs, a function for establishing a connection to a computer network, and a user interface for enabling user input into the portable terminal device, comprising

establishing a connection to a local network different from the computer network, the local network being a network locally defined among the portable terminal device and at least one other computer device; and

uploading a prescribed information regarding the computer network that is necessary or utilizable in operating an application program by being connected to the computer network and that is setup data or input data for the application program stored in said at least one other computer device, from said at least one other computer device connected to the portable terminal device via the local network, and carrying out a prescribed processing for automatically setting the setup data or the input data into the portable terminal device without requiring any user operation using the user interface, in a form utilizable by the application program on the portable terminal device, according to at least a part of the prescribed information.

18.   (Currently amended)   A communication method of a computer device, comprising:

establishing a connection to a local network that is locally defined among the computer device and a portable terminal device; and

returning a reply containing an identification information for identifying a specified type of application program that exists in the computer device, or a prescribed information related to said specified type of application program that is setup data or input data of the

application program stored in the computer device and to be uploaded and automatically set into the portable terminal device without <u>requiring any user operation</u> using a user interface, in a form utilizable by the application program on the portable terminal device, in response to a request received from the portable terminal device via the local network.

19. (Currently amended) A computer usable medium having computer readable program codes embodied therein for causing a computer to function as a portable terminal device having a user interface for enabling user input into the portable terminal device, the computer readable program codes include:

a first computer readable program code for causing said computer to establish a connection to a computer network;

a second computer readable program code for causing said computer to establish a connection to a local network different from the computer network, the local network being a network locally defined among the portable terminal device and at least one other computer device; and

a third computer readable program code for causing said computer to upload a prescribed information regarding the computer network that is necessary or utilizable in operating an application program by being connected to the computer network and that is setup data or input data for the application program stored in said at least one other computer device, from said at least one other computer device connected to the portable terminal device via the local network, carry out a prescribed processing for automatically setting the setup data or the input data into the portable terminal device without <u>requiring any user operation</u> using the user interface, in a form utilizable by the application program on the portable terminal device, according to at least a part of the prescribed information, and execute the application program by using a result of the prescribed processing and being connected to the computer network.

20. (Currently amended) A computer usable medium having computer readable program codes embodied therein for causing a computer to function as a computer device, the computer readable program codes include:

a first computer readable program code for causing said computer to establish a connection to a local network that is locally defined among the computer device and a portable terminal device; and

a second computer readable program code for causing said computer to return a reply containing an identification information for identifying a specified type of application program that exists in the computer device, or a prescribed information related to said specified type of application program that is setup data or input data of the application program stored in the computer device and to be uploaded and automatically set into the portable terminal device without requiring any user operation using a user interface, in a form utilizable by the application program on the portable terminal device, in response to a request received from the portable terminal device via the local network.

21.   (Previously presented) The computer device of claim 15,

wherein the local network connection unit is configured to establish a connection with the portable terminal device via the local network in order to receive data supplied from the portable terminal device to be downloaded into the computer device, and

wherein the data to be downloaded into the computer device was previously uploaded to the portable terminal device from another computer device via the local network, and

wherein the data to be downloaded into the computer device only passes through the portable terminal device as the data is sent from the another computer device to the computer device.

22.   (Canceled).

23.   (Canceled).

24.   (Previously Presented) The portable terminal device of claim 1, wherein the processing unit executes the application program for an Internet telephone, a web browser, an email handler or a word processor.